

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A camera comprising:
a body;
an electronic imager disposed in said body, said imager generating an electronic image responsive to an incident light image;
a display disposed on the outside of said body, said display being operatively connected to said imager, said display showing said electronic image;
a white-compensator neighboring said display, said white-compensator propagating neutral light at a preset color temperature independent of said electronic image.
2. The camera of claim 1 wherein said white-compensator surrounds said image display.
3. The camera of claim 1 wherein said white-compensator is at least as bright as said image display.
4. The camera of claim 1 wherein said image display defines a light image viewing zone extending outward from said body, and said white-compensator emits light into said light image viewing zone external to said image display.
5. The camera of claim 1 wherein said image display is inset relative to said white-compensator.
6. The camera of claim 1 wherein said image display is non-emissive and said camera further comprises a backlight illuminating said display and said compensator.

7. The camera of claim 6 further comprising a neutral density filter disposed between said backlight and said image display.

8. The camera of claim 1 wherein said image display is emissive.

9. The camera of claim 1 wherein said white-compensator is non-pixellated.

10. The camera of claim 1 wherein said displays are first and second parts of a continuous, pixellated panel.

11. The camera of claim 1 further comprising an archival capture unit and an optical system directing said light image to said imager and said archival capture unit.

12. The camera of claim 1 wherein said archival capture unit has capture media having a designated illuminant and said camera includes a processor color balancing said verification image for said capture media.

13. The camera of claim 12 further comprising a scene illuminant color sensor.

14. A camera comprising:
a body;
an electronic image capture unit mounted to said body;
a panel mounted to said body, said panel having a compensated mode wherein a border of said panel transmits neutral light at a preset first color temperature and a center of said panel transmits a pixellated, colored image from said electronic image capture unit, at a second color temperature independent of said first color temperature.

15. The camera of claim 14 wherein said panel has an uncompensated mode wherein said border and center transmit a common, pixellated image from said electronic image capture unit at a single color temperature.

16. The camera of claim 15 further comprising an switch operatively connected to said panel, said switch being selectively actuatable to change said panel between said modes.

17. The camera of claim 14 wherein said border circumscribes said center and is at least as bright as said center.

18. The camera of claim 14 further comprising a film capture unit mounted in said body and an optical system directing a light image to said capture units.

19. A image capture method comprising the steps of:
capturing a light image as an electronic image, in a camera, under ambient lighting having a color cast;
converting said electronic image to a viewable display image;
propagating said display image outward from said camera in said ambient lighting; and
counteracting said ambient lighting in the neighborhood of said propagating display image, with white illumination.

20. The method of claim 19 further comprising retaining at least a perceptible fraction of said color cast in said display image.

21. The method of claim 19 further comprising, during said capturing of said electronic image, capturing a latent image on film.

22. The method of claim 21 wherein said film has a photofinishing color correction and said method further comprises reducing said color cast in said display image proportional to said color correction.

23. The method of claim 19 wherein said white illumination is at least as bright as said display image.

24. The method of claim 19 further comprising selectively alternating said propagating and counteracting steps and the single step of propagating an enlargement of said display image.